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In re: Jason Brindel Serial No.: 10/699,397 Filed: October 31, 2003

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DUAL MODE LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAYS (LCDS) AND DEVICES INCLUDING THE SAME

March 31, 2004

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PETITION TO ACCORD THE PROPER FILING DATE

Sir:

For:

As set forth in 37 CFR § 1.10(c) and MPEP § 506.02, Applicant hereby petitions to grant the proper filing date of October 31, 2003 rather than November 3, 2003 for the above-identified patent application as this was the date the application was deposited as "Express Mail" in the U.S. Postal Service. The following is enclosed as evidence of October 31, 2003 being the correct filing date for the application, which was properly filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10:

- 1. A true and accurate copy of the Cover Sheet for the Application showing the Express Mail signature and date on Page 2;
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This petition is being filed promptly after Applicant became aware of the improperly accorded filing date. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests the granting of October 31, 2003 as the filing date pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.10.

On the basis that Applicant properly followed the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.10 and the USPTO failed to accord the proper filing date under MPEP § 505 and thus the need to file this petition is due to error on the part of the USPTO, it is applicant's belief that no fee is due with this petition. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

Respectfully submitted,

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by reference therein.

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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) is: a patent application a Continuation a Divisional a Continuation-in-Part (CIP) Application of prior application no.: ; filed, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety. and claims the benefit of Provisional Application No; filed
Inventor(s) or Application Identifier: Jason R. Brindel, Apex, NC
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 c. DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) (Signed statement deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application) 5. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 6. Incorporation By Reference (useable if box 4b is checked) The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated



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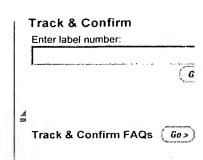


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